



Lauderhill

SPOTLIGHT



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Lauderhill Boasts of an Exciting Start to 2013



Photo courtesy of Al Gillar

Mayor Kaplan's Jazz Concert Series successfully completed their 5th Season. This Season included a spectacular Saturday evening performance by the local band Beatlemanix.



Mayor Kaplan accepts the 2012 Broward County Emerald Green Award for Lauderhill's City Hall Project that displayed exceptional efforts in preserving our environment. The award was presented at a ceremony at Tree Tops Park in Davie. Also pictured are architects Manuel Synalovski & Merrill Romanik who were instrumental in the Lauderhill City Hall Project.



This year's Civil Rights Spelling Bee Winners did a fantastic job at the competition! The Spelling Bee is part of the City's long running MLK Program. These outstanding spellers received accolades from Commissioner M. Margaret Bates, PALS Director Irvin Kiffin, & Spelling Bee Coordinator Christine Thompson at a City Commission Meeting. Kudos to all who participated in this year's MLK Spelling Bee & Brain Bowl Competition!

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Lauderhill CERT Members Participate In Regional Drill



Lauderhill's Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) recently participated in the 2013 South Florida Regional Citizen Corps Drill that was held in Coconut Creek. The drill was a simulated disaster to test the skills of the CERT members who are trained for disaster preparedness, fire safety, basic



first aid, CPR, light search and rescue and terrorism awareness.

The purpose of the CERT Program is to provide citizens with emergency preparedness training to better prepare themselves, their families, and their communities to handle emergencies. If you are interested in obtaining more information about the Lauderhill CERT Program, please call the Lauderhill Fire Rescue Department at 954-730-2950 and ask for Patricia.



Homeowner's Association Meetings

BROWARD ESTATES HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

Contact: Jacob Greene
When: May 24th
(No summer)
Time: 7:30 pm
Place: Parkway Middle School Media Center
Phone: (954) 895-7287

CYPRESS HOLLOW HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

Contact: Willie King, President
When: 3rd Wednesday - monthly
Time: 7:00 pm
Place: Forest Trace Library
Phone: (954) 748-8934
or wjkque@bellsouth.net

FOREST LAKE ESTATES

Contact: Thomas K. Ballard, Jr.
When: 2nd Tuesday - monthly
Time: 7:00 pm
Place: Forest Trace Facility
Phone: (954) 748-7987

HAWTHORNE PLACE ASSOC.

Contact: Israel Charles
When: 2nd Tuesday - monthly
Time: 7:00 pm
Place: Veterans Park
Phone: (954) 445-7646
E-mail: israelcharles@me.com

INVERRARY HOMEOWNERS' ASSOC.

(North of 44th St. and East of University)
Contact: Dr. Meville Herron
When: 1st Tues. every other month
Time: 7:15 pm
Place: Veterans Park
Phone: (954) 578-1314

LAUDERHILL CENTRAL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

(Between Oakland Park & Sunrise Blvds., W. of the Tpk.)
Contact: Beryl Collins
When: 1st Wednesday - monthly
(No June or July)
Time: 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm
Place: John Mullin Aquatic Complex
Phone: (954) 321-8322

NORTHWEST LAUDERHILL HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION

(West of University)
Contact: Lora Thomson
When: 2nd Tuesday of the month (no summer)
Time: 7:15 pm
Place: Veterans Park
Phone: (954) 748-6320

THE ESTATES OF INVERRARY HOMEOWNER'S ASSOCIATION

Contact: Lamont D. Roberts
When: Every month (call to find out)
Time: 7:00pm
Place: Varies (board members homes)
Phone: (954) 309-9806

THE ENCLAVE AT INVERRARY HOMEOWNERS ASSOC.

Contact: Richard Heady Jr.
When: 2nd Sat. every other month
Time: 10:00 am
Place: Inverrary Association Bldg.
Phone: (954) 730-0514

ST. GEORGE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

Contact: Warene "Mae" Smith
When: 2nd Tuesday every month
Time: 6:00pm
Place: St. George Civic Center
Phone: (954) 325-6660

UNITED LAUDERHILL HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

(East Lauderhill, East of the Turnpike)
Contact: Walton Hunter
When: 3rd Monday - monthly, no summer
Time: 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm
Place: Sadkin Community Center
Phone: (954) 484-7130

WEST KEN LARK HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION

When: 2nd Wed. of every month
Time: 7:30 pm
Place: George Perry Center
(West Ken Lark Park)
Contact: James Bradley, Jr.
Phone: (954) 735-1966

WEST INVERRARY NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH

(Includes 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, & 37th Streets)
When: 4th Thursday every month
Time: 7:30 pm
Place: Environ Cultural Center
Contact: Janette Shand
Phone: 954-295-9074 or
inverraryneighborhoodwatch@yahoo.com

Fireworks Warning

The Fourth of July Holiday will be here before we know it!

Remember: It's against state law to ignite anything that flies, blows up or leaves the ground unless you're a permit-carrying pyrotechnics professional, work in a mine or on a railroad, or own a large farm or a fish hatchery. Annually, adults and children are severely injured and killed playing with fireworks. Please safely celebrate the 4th of July this year.

Flood Mitigation Webinar Opportunities

In the last edition of the Spotlight, we gave you some ideas on how to keep flood waters from getting into your homes. There is an organization called Florida's Foundation (www.floridasfoundation.org). They are a nonprofit organization whose mission is to strengthen Florida by making positive changes in the lives of families through initiatives developed by the State of Florida. They will be offering ten (10) webinars discussing homeowner's mitigation strategies. To view the contents of these webinars and get all the information you need to attend, go to <http://www.floridasfoundation.org/index.php>. They also offer an easy to understand booklet giving specific suggestions for protection methods. None of the actual workshops are being held in Broward County, but there are several FREE online wind mitigation webinars that you can participate in during May and June. The City of Lauderhill strives to maintain our flood plain, and we aim to provide our residents and businesses with as much information as possible. Technology has come a long way in helping us reach our neighbors so check out these very informative webinars. As always, if you have any questions or if you would like to request additional information on your flood insurance requirements, please call the Department of Environmental & Engineering Services at (954) 730-4204.

ATTENTION CONDO AND HOMEOWNER PRESIDENTS:

In an ongoing effort to maintain our records and make sure all presidents are receiving important information from various City departments, please call Julie Wilson at 954-730-3000 to verify your organization's contact information. Even if your group has been receiving materials from the City, it is imperative for the City to verify the information we have to make sure all groups are properly informed.

Message from Chief Andrew Smalling

Guns and Gun Safety

Since the Sandy Hook Elementary School tragedy in December 2012, the topic of gun safety has again captured the nation's attention. News shows, media publications, and town hall discussions center on the debate of firearms and their place in our society.

This article isn't going to address the topic of gun control; that is a passionate topic no matter which side you are on. This article deals with gun safety and the fact that many of us have guns in our homes and vehicles. Whether the gun is a family heirloom or something you purchased, the fact that it is in your possession can present a significant danger if not stored and handled safely. There are no accidental shootings; there are unintentional discharges. A well maintained firearm only goes off when someone pulls the trigger.

The danger lies in how the weapon is handled, mishandled, or used. There are those who advocate gun ownership for self protection and there are those who abhor weapons of any kind. The fact is that when a loaded firearm is improperly handled, it can become a danger to all in the range of its firepower.

So what can you do with a firearm that you no longer wish to possess? You can drop it off at our Gun Buy Back and Firearms Safety Awareness Day. This event is being held at the Lauderhill Sports Park, 7500 W. Oakland Park Blvd on Saturday May 18th between 9 AM and 2 PM. Simply bring the unloaded firearm in the trunk of your vehicle to the guided entryway at the park and a police officer will take the firearm from your trunk, no questions asked. Not only will you be giving up an unwanted, potentially dangerous firearm, but you will receive a gift card in return to use as you please.

If you are reading this issue past the date of the Gun Buy Back Program, you can contact the Lauderhill

Police Department at 954.497.4700 to make arrangements to safely dispose of your unwanted firearm.

If you intend to keep your legally owned firearm, bear in mind that thieves will target it for their illegal use. Please keep your weapons secure in a safe place, preferably a gun lock box or vault. This will help reduce the possibility of your firearm being stolen and keep it out of curious and untrained hands such as a child's.

If you travel with a firearm in your vehicle, do not leave it in your vehicle. We have had a number of unsecured firearms stolen from vehicles.

Let's all work together to make our city and our homes safer.



Message from Chief Edward Curran

What's New in the Lauderhill Fire Rescue Department

When this Spotlight arrives, it will be the beginning of hurricane season and as in my previous summers' write-ups, I am reminding you to be prepared. You should have your water, canned foods, first aid kit, evacuation plan in order, etc. You should have verified and practiced how you will secure your home/residence and worked with your neighbors on their plans. Remember, we cannot rely on the Federal or State Government to provide any supplies during the initial 72 - 96 hours after a storm's impact. Everyone must be prepared. Listen to AM Radio 1650, Lauderhill's Emergency Information Radio Station.

DEPARTMENT HAPPENINGS:

The Lauderhill Fire Rescue Department recently participated in the Annual Statewide Hurricane Exercise. The Emergency Operations Center Staff practiced running through emergency scenarios with County and Municipal representatives throughout Broward County. City of Lauderhill representatives also participated at the Broward County Emergency Operations Center and in our own City's Municipal Emergency Operations Center. We practiced and tested communications over the internet, radio, and via phone systems (cellular, satellite, digital and analog) during this successful exercise.

At the conclusion of 2012, the Fire Rescue Department completed an onsite inspection for Insurance Service Organization (ISO) rating; this rating is based on equipment, training, equipment, apparatus, personnel and water. Lauderhill went from a Class 3 to a Class 2

Public Protection Classification. Class 1 is the highest ranking. As of June 2011, there are only nine (9) Class 1 rated departments. Lauderhill Division Chief Jeff Levy was named PIO (Public Information Officer) of the Year by the Fire Chief's Association of Florida. The Lauderhill Fire Rescue Department also successfully moved to Electronic Emergency Medical Field Reporting and completed the full installation of computers and radio equipment in vehicles to meet future closest unit dispatching requirements.

AUTOMATIC AIDE AGREEMENT:

Lauderhill Fire Rescue completed the implementation of an Automatic Aid Agreement with the Cities of Sunrise and Tamarac Fire Rescue Departments. Enhancing and improving our response times to our valued residents is always our goal. All 3 cities are training, responding, and working together to save tax dollars.

Lastly, every summer we ask you to remember to:

- Take extra care when working outside in the summer heat by drinking plenty of fluids and by taking regular breaks.
- Watch for kids when driving - school is out.
- Watch for insect bites especially if you are allergic. Treat them immediately.
- Be careful when swimming and diving; always swim with a buddy under supervised conditions.

Please have a safe and wonderful summer.

Fire Rescue Division Chief Jeff Levy Receives Tremendous Award



Lauderhill's Fire Rescue Division Chief Jeff Levy has been awarded the Florida Fire Chief's Association 2012 Public Information Officer of the Year. This prestigious award is given to those individuals who have made significant and valuable contributions to the FFCA Public Information section and who have demonstrated excellence as a Public Information Officer. Chief Levy was instrumental in designing and implementing the FFCA's Mobile Joint Information Center (JIC). Chief Levy received his award in Daytona Beach at the Public Safety Officers Symposium in conjunction with "Fire Rescue East". Division Chief Levy is also the Fire Department's Training Officer.



**LORI PARRISH
BROWARD COUNTY
PROPERTY APPRAISER**

**WE'RE COMING TO
LAUDERHILL CITY HALL!**

TO APPLY FOR A HOMESTEAD EXEMPTION, YOU MUST HAVE COPIES OF THE FOLLOWING DOCUMENTS:

FOR ALL APPLICANTS:

- ☒ Florida Drivers License OR Florida I.D. Card; AND
- ☒ Broward Voter Registration OR a Declaration of Domicile; AND
- ☒ Social Security numbers of ALL owners.

FOR RESIDENT ALIENS:

- ☒ Permanent Resident "Green Card," or proof of asylum, or INS I-485 letter showing that application to convert to permanent resident status is complete.

ADDITIONAL TAX EXEMPTIONS ALSO AVAILABLE:

WIDOW/WIDOWER EXEMPTION: Bring copy of spouse's death certificate, newspaper obituary, or memorial card.

DISABILITY/VETERAN'S DISABILITY EXEMPTION: Ask us about the filing requirements for these exemptions.

SENIOR'S ADDITIONAL EXEMPTION: Requires at least one owner be 65 as of January 1, 2013 and the total household adjusted gross income not exceed \$27,590. (call for info on required documents)

NOTE: HUSBAND OR WIFE MAY FILE ON BEHALF OF BOTH.

Broward County Property Appraiser staff will be taking Exemption Applications at:

The Lauderhill City Hall
4th Monday of Each Month from 11:30 am-1pm
(3rd Monday in May & December 11:30 am-1:00 pm)

For more information, please contact the Outreach Department at 954.357.5579 or njones@bcpa.net or visit us online at www.bcpa.net.

Lori Parrish
LORI PARRISH, CFA
Property Appraiser

Lauderhill Broncos Football Player Allen Bryant Named All-American Scholar



The City of Lauderhill is proud to recognize Broncos Football Player Allen Bryant for his outstanding achievements on and off the football field. He was recently named Second Team All-American Scholar in the Pop Warner Little Scholars (PWLS) Program. Bryant is

a 12 year old member of the Lauderhill Broncos Pee Wee Football Team. He is in sixth grade at Westpine Middle School.

The PWLS Academic All-Star Program requires a minimum 96% grade average. Allen Bryant's grade average was 99.31. Selection criteria also includes other academic achievements & extracurricular activities. Every year, Pop Warner has approximately 400,000 athletes participate in its programs. In 2012-2013, more than 8,800 nationwide applications were submitted to Pop Warner's National Office for this All-American Scholar Program. With this tremendous achievement, Bryant is considered one of the top youth football players academically in Pop Warner. He and his parents, Darren and Lisa Bryant, have been invited to attend the 53rd Annual All-American Scholar Banquet taking place this May in Boston, MA to celebrate their son Allen's success.

This past February, Allen Bryant was also recognized by the City of Lauderhill as one of its Scholar Athletes of the Year nominees for the City's "Sports Advancing Kids Education (SAKE)" Awards. Bryant received a \$500 scholarship for this accomplishment.

For more information regarding the Pop Warner Little Scholars Program, visit www.popwarner.com.

Kiwanis Club of Central Broward Community Contributions



This Kiwanis Club continues to remain active in the City of Lauderhill as well as our City's surrounding communities. Just to name a few of their recent accomplishments:

- Hosted a neighborhood clean up event.
- Painted the houses of elderly residents.
- Assisted Dillard Elementary students in beautifying West Ken Lark Park by planting flowers.
- Helped to build a playground at Ruth Rothkopf Park and John Mullin Park.
- Partnered with Wingate Oaks to organize the first Aktion Club Zone 5 Rally. The Aktion Club is a community service group made up of adult citizens who are developmentally disadvantaged. Their purpose is to return to their communities the help and caring that they have received.
- Participated in Wingate Oaks' Resource Community Fair.
- Assisted the City of Lauderhill at a Relay for Life car wash fundraiser.
- Distributed approximately 1000 dictionaries to third grade students in the 33311 zip code.
- Helped to organize a summer camp for adults with disabilities.
- Donated the following items to West Ken Lark Park: a 51" Samsung Plasma television, lockers, a refrigerator and microwave.

Thank you to the Kiwanis Club of Central Broward for your dedication to the City of Lauderhill & its residents.

Michael Marshall Wrestling Champ!



Nova High School Senior Michael Marshall recently placed FIRST in the 220 lb wrestling weight class at the Broward County Athletic Association Championship held on Saturday, January 19th, 2013. His proud parents, Dolores & Michael, are Lauderhill residents. Congratulations on this outstanding accomplishment, and good luck in future wrestling matches!



2013 S.A.K.E. Awards (Sports Advancing Kids through Education)

The 2013 S.A.K.E. Awards Ceremony was held on Thursday, February 21st, 2013. Kudos to all the youth who won an award, those nominated for an award, and to all of Lauderhill's student athletes that do their best in participating in sports while maintaining good grades.

A special thank you goes out Parkway Middle School for hosting this year's ceremony and to McMahon and Associates for sponsoring the SAKE Awards for the 5th consecutive year. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.



Homework Help Sessions at the Library

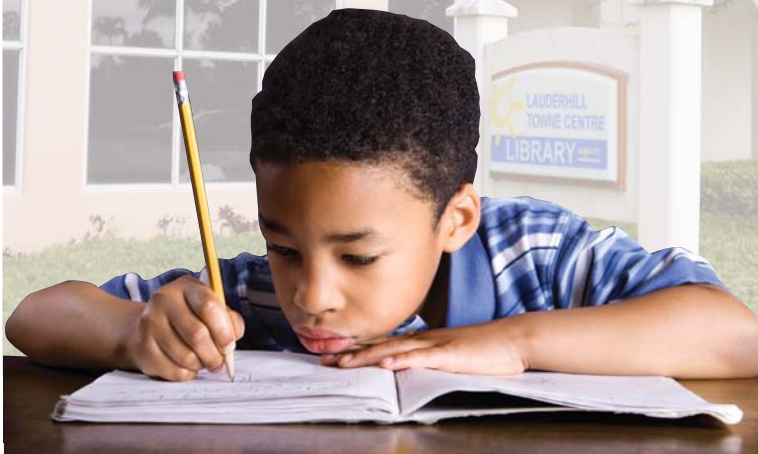
Lauderhill's Towne Centre Library (6399 W. Oakland Park Blvd) will be offering **Homework Help Sessions** for students in grades K-12 on the following dates: May 6, May 7, May 13, May 14, May 20, May 21, May 28, & June 3rd. Contact the Library at 954-357-6409 for the hours of each session & also for more information on their other programs.

The Library will also be hosting **"Super Science Explorers Workshops"** for students in grades K-12 on the following dates at 5:00 pm: June 10, June 17, July 1, July 8, July 15, July 22, July 29, & August 29th.

Other upcoming programs include:

Salty Sue the Pirate 06/18/13 at 4:00 pm - All ages

Dig in and Read with Pirates Treasure Adventure!
06/24/13 at 6:00 pm - All ages



Congratulations to the Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Incorporated, the Broward County Alumnae Chapter, on your 100th Anniversary!! Keep up the great traditions ladies!!

2013 School Calendar Broward County Public Schools

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SEPTEMBER						
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	Employee Planning (no school for students)
	Schools & Administrative Offices Closed
	Schools Closed
	Report Cards Issued
	Interim Reports Issued
	Early Release Day
	First & Last Day of School

Hurricane make-up days in order of preference: 6/7/12 *Year-round schools follow different calendars



Lavern Deer, representing the Jamaica High School Alumni Sporting Network Appreciation Award, presents Mayor Kaplan with a plaque to show the organization's gratitude for the City's support of their tournaments over the past few years.



Resident Carmen Hamilton, representing Royal Palm Elementary School, presents Mayor Kaplan with a Certificate of Appreciation for his dedication to the School's Reading Program.



Vice Mayor Ken Thurston & Inverrary Association's Vice President Tom Harney enjoy the jazz music at the Jammin in the Park Event held on Saturday, April 20th.



Vice Mayor Ken Thurston presents a deserving student-athlete with an award for his accomplishments at 2013 S.A.K.E. (Sports Advancing Kids Through Education) Awards.

MAYOR RICHARD J. KAPLAN



A lot is happening in Lauderhill, and I thought it would be beneficial to give you important information that may be of particular interest to you:

1) The Commission has instructed Staff to find any available land throughout the city and grants to develop Community Gardens.

2) At my request, the Commission has agreed to expand our Interest Free Energy Loans by increasing the amount of a Residential Loan to \$2500, and to now allow Commercial Properties to receive loans up to \$4000 payable back over 3 years. Additionally, programmable thermostats for A/C's and water heaters are now qualified under the program. Information on these loans can be found at www.lauderhillgreen.com or at City Hall on the 1st Floor.

3) The City is also considering joining Broward County's Go Solar Challenge, which 14 cities have already agreed to. The intent is to streamline the process of permitting and inspection in the installation of Solar Systems on roofs. In addition, the county will pay the permitting fees.

4) The Police Department has responded to concerns regarding home burglaries. Special teams have been created in these hot spot areas and already success is being seen. Additional input and work is expected

involving other cities and Mayors to further address this problem.

5) 2012 Crime Statistics have come out showing that our crime rate has dropped 5.1%. Violent Crimes and Crimes involving forcible action have also declined. However, crimes of opportunity, specifically unsecured property crimes, have increased. The lesson learned is the necessity to secure our properties to discourage crime.

6) At my suggestion, the city is considering having retired police officers serve as SRO Officers in Elementary Schools on a part time basis. The funding should come from the School Board to cover the expense. At this time there are no SRO Officers in Lauderhill's Elementary Schools. This would be a new valuable service without raising our local taxes.

7) Lauderhill is developing a Gun Buy Back Program. Further details to follow.

8) I am working on a program called 'Limitless Libraries' which allows for an Interlocal Exchange program of books between Broward County Libraries and the School Board Library. This program would permit students to request books through their school libraries from the Broward County Library System, thereby greatly expanding the resources to our students while in school.

9) We have now successfully concluded our 5th Season of Jazz Picnic in the Park along with our special concerts. Preparations has already begun for our 6th Season. Information on the schedule will be posted on www.lauderhilljazz.com. Sponsors are welcome.

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VICE MAYOR KEN THURSTON



The City of Lauderhill continues to improve in appearance, and our property values are increasing. In 2007, at the height of the market, there was 3.2 billion dollars in taxable real estate, and by 2010, the taxable value had dropped to 1.7 billion. This equated to an enormous loss in revenues to Cities including the City of Lauderhill. Families in Lauderhill felt a loss of equity accumulated in their homes. In 2012, there was a slight increase in property values. Now early reports for 2013 are showing substantial increases in real estate values. The exact increase will be quantified by the Broward County Property Appraiser in July, but we are economically on the rise.

There have been noticeable, quality renovations at the Lauderhill Mall, and these improvements have brought new businesses to our community. The long delayed Performing Arts Center with the accompanying library, a 13 million dollar project, will be moving forward as the City Commission recently selected Cummings Construction to begin the project's construction. Per Broward County requirements, at least 29% of the

work is required to be done by women/minority sub-contractors. In other news, Konover South has renovated the shopping center next door to City Hall, and the plaza is now adding a drive through Subway Restaurant that will open very soon.

Lauderhill's (4) Safe Neighborhood Districts (SNDs) continue to strengthen their communities. The Windermere / Tree Gardens SND has added a fence, improved lighting, and they have built a guard house to make the area even safer. These actions have increased property values in the District.

The City of Lauderhill received Neighborhood Stabilization Funds (NSF) of 5.7 million dollars from the federal government and used this money to buy foreclosed properties that could only be resold to owner occupants. The last of these homes are currently being renovated and resold.

I will continue to work with my fellow Commissioners to keep Lauderhill an "All America City".

COMMISSIONER M. MARGARET BATES

Top of the Hill, Lauderhill! It is with great enthusiasm that I wish everyone a beautiful and safe summer 2013, and I am encouraging everyone to take full advantage of our summer programs available to our youth and seniors here in our wonderful City. To find out more, please contact our Parks & Leisure Services Department at 954-730-3080.



rewards the worker with more real happiness and satisfaction than any other venture of life." Listed are some of the benefits of becoming a volunteer:

- * Important networking contacts.
- * Learn to develop skills and teach your skills to others.
- * Enhance your resume and gain work experience.

Volunteering...whether it is important to you to solve a community problem, advance a worthy cause or to develop as a person, volunteering offers many benefits in appreciation for the gift of your time and expertise. American Women's Rights Activist Carrie Chapman Catt once said, "Service to a just cause

- * Meet new people.
- * Build self-esteem and self confidence.
- * Improves your health.

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COMMISSIONER HAYWARD J. BENSON, JR.

Recently, I was afforded an opportunity to attend the Winter Conference of the National League of Cities in Washington, D. C. Among the many topics of discussion was one that dealt with Reducing Gun Violence in America's Cities. Realizing that the City of Lauderhill is embarking on a program to "Buy Back Guns" in our City, I wanted to be sure to attend.



we must do something to minimize these occurrences.

The National League of Cities proposes a wide range of recommendations that have been put forward to address this problem: banning all forms of assault weapons; requiring background checks prior to any gun sales; outlawing "cop killer" bullets that pierce protective vests; reducing violence in films, television programs, and video games; enhancing mental health services; increasing access to guns; or doing nothing at all.

Every day we are reminded of the toll of gun violence, whether by mass shooting, e.g., (The massacre at Sandy Hook Elementary School), homicides, drive by shootings, or accidental gun incidents, we should pause and ask ourselves, is there a better way? The Constitution assures: ".....the right of the people to keep and bear arms, shall not be infringed". I support, and will forever defend that right. Vice President Biden, speaking at one of the general meetings delivered a passionate speech during which he cited facts, figures and the plan of action the President intends to ask Congress to consider. The incidents of gun violence have become too common as part of our daily lives and

Our Commission, with the help of staff and the Police Department, has CHOSEN TO DO SOMETHING. The program is, GUN BUY BACK AND SAFETY AWARENESS DAY. This event is scheduled for Saturday, May 18, 2013, from 9:00am - 2:00pm at our Sports Park, 7500 West Oakland Park Boulevard. Drop off any unwanted or not needed gun, with no questions asked and receive a free gift card. JUST THAT SIMPLE!!!

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COMMISSIONER HOWARD BERGER

Summer is here! The beautiful weather provides a great opportunity get outside to enjoy the sunshine. It's also an ideal time to perform home maintenance. It's wise not to neglect home maintenance because even though injury or property damage is unintended, a homeowner may be liable as a result of such hazards. So, fix that wobbly railing, pick up those loose tools, wrap up that unfurled hose, replace broken windows, repair broken sidewalks and walkways and tend to the yard. Setting up proper exterior lighting may decrease the possibility of a trip and fall accident and ward off criminals as well.



being left or trapped in a vehicle. The National Highway Traffic Safety Association (NHTSA) states that when the outside temperature is 83 degrees, even with the windows rolled down two inches, the temperature inside a vehicle can easily reach 109 degrees in only 15 minutes. That's a frightening study because a body temperature above 107 degrees is fatal. For more information, go to www.NHTSA.org and type "children and cars" in the search function.

I have always stated that Lauderhill is a wonderful and vibrant place to work, live, and do business. Recently, a few retail/professional businesses opened in the City that deserves mention. **Empire Bagel and Deli** opened its doors in March

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After the 2013 MLK Celebration, Committee Chairperson Commissioner M. Margaret Bates recognized all the sponsors of the MLK Program at a Commission Meeting. Krysta Pressey represented the National Federation of Public and Private Employees. She also serves on the City's MLK Committee.



Vice Mayor Thurston & Commissioner Benson acknowledge the Kiwanis Club of Central Broward & Aktion Club for their dedication to the community. The group truly sets a remarkable example of good will as they volunteer countless hours to the residents & programs of Lauderhill.



Commissioner Berger mingles with Lauderhill's Police Chief, Andrew Smalling, and other guests before the start of the 2013 MLK Celebration held at Screen Post Production in Lauderhill.

MAYOR RICHARD J. KAPLAN

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10) The City of Lauderhill won the 2012 Emerald Award for Green Practices/Innovations from Broward County. The award is for the Lauderhill City Hall, the first City Hall in the southeast US built as LEED Silver Certified. Among several of its green practices are that the building consumes 19% less electricity and over 50% less water than a typical building of its kind.

11) During 2013, I will be randomly sending out 1000 'Tell the Mayor' City Surveys to Lauderhill Residents. The purpose is to measure how we are doing and what we could do better. If you are one who receives it in the mail, we kindly request you to complete and return it as soon as possible. It is extremely important and your opinion will count.

If I can be of further assistance, please contact me at mayor@lauderhill-fl.gov, or call 954-752-1732 (office); 954-742-6967 (home); or 954-730-3016 (city hall). You may also write to me at City Hall, 5581 W. Oakland Park Blvd., Lauderhill, FL 33313. If you would like to receive my Newsletter, please enter your email address on the city's web site, www.lauderhill-fl.gov.

COMMISSIONER M. MARGARET BATES

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- * Express gratitude for help you may have received through other entities.
- * Communicate to others that you are ambitious, enthusiastic and care about the community.
- * Make a difference in someone's life.
- * Improves the likelihood that children will volunteer as an adult.

Remember, volunteering has no financial gain, yet it produces a feeling of self worth and respect because it is a benevolent activity intended to promote goodness and an improved way of life. In order to teach our children the joy of giving, we must set the example to show and assure them that the greater bliss in life is to give rather than to receive. Also, take the time and effort to join your Homeowners' Association to get better involved with your immediate community and share your personal suggestions with some of your closest neighbors.

Make a difference, meet people, gain new skills, and add a whole new experience....Volunteer!

COMMISSIONER HAYWARD J. BENSON, JR.

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With your help, the Citizens of Lauderhill, we will contribute to lessening the incidents of gun violence by removing some unwanted and not needed guns from the potential of being on the streets and winding up in the wrong hands.

We, as a people, and definitely as a City, should sponsor programs that contribute to the health, safety and welfare of our citizens. Let's make this one of them.

Thanks for your help.

Until next time, Stay Well!!

COMMISSIONER HOWARD BERGER

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at 5943 W. Oakland Park Blvd. (in the Inverrary Falls Plaza next to Publix). They serve breakfast and lunch 7 days a week. They offer fresh baked breads, bagels and other pastries, and a catering menu is also available. Empire Bagel and Deli is home to the best "water boiled bagels." Also in March, a grand opening took place for **Mr. Bistro**. This restaurant features made from scratch comfort food, craft beers and wines. Mr. Bistro already would like to expand his doors to include outdoor dining. They are located at 4933 N. University Drive (Los Maderos Plaza). **The Caribbean Buffet Restaurant** opened at 7547 W Oakland Park Blvd. (opposite Lauderhill Sports Park). This establishment offers all you can eat fine Caribbean cuisine for lunch and dinner at very affordable prices. The restaurant is available for special occasions, parties, and catering. **Chen Medical Center** had a grand opening over 2 days recently. They are located at 2589 N. St. Rd 7. The Medical Center's doctors have many years of primary care and preventative medicine experience. The Center specializes in the treatments of seniors. They provide transportation, health education classes, dental care and on-site diagnostics and tests. **Care Health Center II** relocated into the City of Lauderhill. Their office is located at 7471 W. Oakland Park Blvd, and their physician and medical director is Dr. Naresh Pathak. He has affiliations with numerous local hospitals and also teaches at the University of Miami and Nova Southeastern University. Focuses of the office include internal medicine, hospice and palliative care and preventive medicine.

Although Lauderhill is a spectacular place to work and live, we must always remain vigilant because home burglary is one of the most common crimes in the state of Florida. Residents should add deadbolts at least an inch thick in order to lock doors more effectively. If any unknown or suspicious guests arrive to your home, speak to them through the door or window. By participating in local Neighborhood Watch Programs or by creating informal agreements with bordering residents to watch each other's properties, neighborhood security would increase dramatically. Make a call. Make a difference.

I will again hold my Annual Community Awareness Day – Health and Resource Fair. It will take place on Saturday, August 10, 2013 (10:00 am – 3:00 pm) at Lauderhill's Herbert Sadkin Community Center (1176 NW 42nd Way.) As with the previous events, it will include many vendors displaying their services/products to the community. There will be entertainment, food, fun games and school back packs for students. I will be partnering with a local non- profit organization, United for Life, Marriage, and Family, to make this anticipated event a huge success. For more information, you can call 954-777-2041.

HAVE A WONDERFUL SUMMER!



The morning heat & the afternoon rain did not damper this year's Jammin in the Park! Thanks to all performers, sponsors & guests who supports this year's festivities on Saturday, April 20th at the Ilene Lieberman Botanical Gardens. Looking forward to do it again next year already!

Signs By Tomorrow – Lauderhill Reaches \$1M in Annual Sales, Plans for Future Growth



Signs By Tomorrow in Lauderhill is pleased to announce the appointment of Doug Curren as area manager of business development, South Florida. The announcement comes on the heels of

recognition at the company's national convention in Savannah, Georgia earlier this month for surpassing \$1 million in sales in 2012 and also as the center prepares for an upcoming rebranding initiative.

Brian and Sue Meister have owned the center since 2004 and have built it into one of the national franchise's top ten revenue producing centers. According to Brian Meister, "Reaching this sales milestone is a reflection of Signs By Tomorrow – Lauderhill's commitment to providing the latest technology, attention to detail, superior products, competitive pricing and an overall exceptional customer experience." He explains the addition of Curren will further position the center for continued growth in the South Florida market, particularly relevant as the center plans to become an early adopter of the new Image360 brand which is scheduled to launch in the next few months by Signs By Tomorrow parent company, Sign & Graphics Operations, LLC (SGO).

Curren brings 30 years of print industry and client relationship management experience to the company. In his new role, Curren will be responsible for developing new clients and generating incremental revenues on behalf of Signs By Tomorrow-Lauderhill. Curren will work out of the showroom and manufacturing facility located at 7362 W. Commercial Blvd in Lauderhill. He can be reached at (954) 748-6990 or via email at dcurren@signsbytomorrow.com.

As a full-service visual communications company, Signs By Tomorrow has established itself as a leading provider of digitally produced wall, floor, window and vehicle graphics including custom wraps, murals, event and trade show displays, wayfinding systems, lobby logo and building signage, ADA compliant signs and much more, and Meister says that will only expand with the planned conversion to Image360. "The migration to the new Image360 brand is a reflection of how we have operated our business all along," says Meister. "More than just a new name to the market, Image360 introduces a new, consultative, creative approach that will change the way many companies fulfill their visual communications needs and is a better representation of the scope of work we do and the depth of service we provide to our clientele."

Lauderhill Mall's New Look

By now you have likely seen the new look of the Lauderhill Mall. The old peach paint is being replaced by a façade with a sophisticated blend of colors and textures. The work is moving along smoothly and according to schedule.

Meanwhile, the façade is not only new at the Lauderhill Mall. The Dollar Tree Store held its Grand Opening Celebration on March 8th. Dunkin' Donuts and Goodwill are slated to open soon, and Rainbow is moving into a new, larger store. Kids' Foot Locker, after a trial run, has decided to open a brand new location at the Lauderhill Mall.

In addition to these national tenants, many new specialty shops and boutiques have signed on as Lauderhill Mall tenants. The energy level has really gone up!

And as for energy, bring your kids' energy to the new Escape Zone for a place to play or celebrate a special birthday. Also, every weekend, free family entertainment is happening at the Lauderhill Mall. The Lauderhill Mall has been a part of the City's community for a long time. If it has been a while since you visited it, stop by and take a look!

About Signs By Tomorrow

Since it was founded in 1986, Signs By Tomorrow has been providing its customers with high-quality, cost-effective signs and graphics. With convenient locations, fast and friendly services and affordable prices, the company has grown into a national network of more than 150 locations in 35 states. Known as an industry leader in technology, Signs By Tomorrow carries a commitment to innovation that ensures that each center is equipped with state-of-the-art sign-making printers. For more information, visit www.signsbytomorrow.com or contact Brian Meister at 954.748.6990 or bmeister@signsbytomorrow.com.

Nothing But Wings is a Great Lauderhill Tradition!



Located in the center of the Lauderhill Mall, **Nothing But Wings** is a great family restaurant to enjoy freshly cooked chicken wings, red velvet cupcakes, and mini sweet potato pies...are you hungry yet?

Nothing But Wings boasts 11 different chicken wing flavors to include the traditional mild to hot as well as sweet and sour, teriyaki and Caribbean. Their specialty, however, is the lemon pepper and honey barbeque varieties.

The restaurant has been open for 8 years and for a small business surrounded by big chains and fast food – this is a phenomenal hometown success story! Operated by Mumba and Chanel Harriot with original owner Darryl Harris, the family run restaurant has deep ties to the community. They were all born and raised in the surrounding area. Darryl Harris and former original partner Darryl Woods recall having taste tests with family members and friends prior to opening the restaurant in order to tweak the recipes to perfection.

All the food is cooked fresh on the premises, and the wing sauces are their own original recipes. They believe that their successes are due to the fantastic customer service they provide and the consistently used in their unique recipes. You always know what to expect when you dine in or eat out at **Nothing But Wings** from their delicious food to their exceptional customer service. They also cater for large events.

Nothing But Wings expects nothing but success for their future! They are currently considering bottling their wing sauces, and the owners are also experimenting with the idea of opening an upscale southern cuisine restaurant.

For more information, call 954-316-0880 or stop by the restaurant located at 1375 N State Road 7.





Unless noted otherwise, the meetings and workshops take place at City Hall located at 5581 W. Oakland Park Blvd. For more information regarding City Commission Meetings, Workshops, and Boards, please contact the City Clerk's Office at 954.730.3010.

MAY '13

- 01** - Management / Confidential Pension Board :4:00 pm
- 02** - Commissioner Bates' Community Leaders Breakfast . .10:00 am
Code Enforcement Board :7:00 pm
- 03** - American Cancer Society's Relay for Life (Lauderhill Sports Park)
- 04** Starts at 6 pm on Friday, May 3rd - 12 noon on Sat., May 4th
Call 954.730.3000 for sponsorship opportunities or
information on how to participate.
- 09** - Lauderhill Police Department's Police Memorial . . .10:00 am
- 13** - Public Communications :7:00 pm
City Commission Meeting :7:30 pm
- 14** - Housing Authority :11:00 am
Firefighters' Pension Board (Fire Station 57) :4:30 pm
- 16** - Local Affordable Housing Advisory Committee :3:30 pm
ACT Board (Veterans Park) :6:30 pm

- 16** - Code Enforcement Board :7:00 pm
- 18** - Gun Buy Back & Firearm Safety Awareness Day
(Lauderhill Sports Park) :9:00 am - 2:00 pm
For more information, please contact
Officer Yvonne Pubien 786.315.7358.
- 20** - City Commission Workshop :7:00 pm
- 21** - Police Pension Board (Police Department) :4:00 pm
General Pension Board :4:30 pm
- 23** - Public Art Board :6:00 pm
- 27** - **MEMORIAL DAY / CITY HALL CLOSED**
- 28** - Recreation Advisory Board (Veterans Park) :6:30 pm
Planning & Zoning Board :7:30 pm
- 29** - Educational Advisory Board :6:30 pm

JUNE '13

- 06** - Code Enforcement Board :7:00 pm
- 10** - Public Communications :7:00 pm
City Commission Meeting :7:30 pm
- 11** - Housing Authority :11:00 am
Firefighters' Pension Board (Fire Station 57) :4:30 pm
- 17** - City Commission Workshop :7:00 pm
- 18** - Police Pension Board (Police Department) :4:00 pm
General Pension Board :4:30 pm

- 20** - Local Affordable Housing Advisory Committee :3:30 pm
ACT Board (Veterans Park) :6:30 pm
Code Enforcement Board :7:00 pm
- 24** - Public Communications :7:00 pm
City Commission Meeting :7:30 pm
- 25** - Recreation Advisory Board (Veterans Park) :6:30 pm
Planning & Zoning Board :7:30 pm
- 26** - Educational Advisory Board :6:30 pm
- 27** - Public Art Board :6:00 pm

JULY '13

- 03** - Management / Confidential Pension Board :4:00 pm
- 04** - **INDEPENDENCE DAY / CITY HALL CLOSED**
- 08** - Public Communications :7:00 pm
City Commission Meeting :7:30 pm
- 09** - Budget Hearing :9:00 am
Housing Authority :11:00 am
Firefighters' Pension Board (Fire Station 57) :4:30 pm
- 10** - Budget Hearing Continued (if needed) :9:00 am
- 15** - Commission Workshop Cancelled (SUMMER BREAK)

- 16** - Police Pension Board (Police Department) :4:00 pm
General Pension Board :4:30 pm
- 18** - Local Affordable Housing Advisory Committee :3:30 pm
ACT Board (Veterans Park) :6:30 pm
Code Enforcement Board :7:00 pm
- 23** - Recreation Advisory Board :6:30 pm
Planning & Zoning Board :7:30 pm
- 25** - Public Art Board :6:00 pm
- 29** - Commission Meeting Cancelled (SUMMER BREAK)
- 31** - Educational Advisory Board :6:30 pm

AUGUST '13

- 01** - Code Enforcement Board :7:00 pm
- 10** - Commissioner Berger's Community Awareness Day
(Sadkin Community Center) :10:00 am - 3:00 pm
- 12** - Commission Meeting Cancelled (SUMMER BREAK)
- 13** - Housing Authority :11:00 am
Firefighters' Pension Board (Fire Station 57) :4:30 pm
- 15** - Local Affordable Housing Advisory Committee :3:30 pm
ACT Board (Veterans Park) :6:30 pm
Code Enforcement Board :7:00 pm

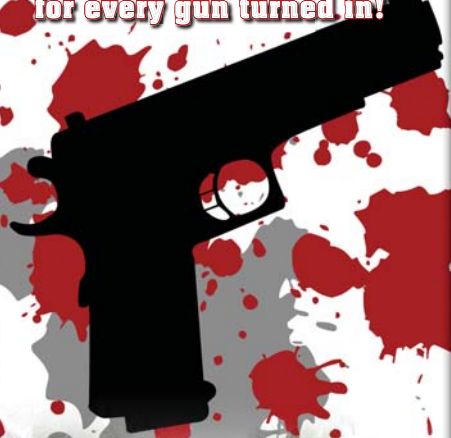
- 19** - Commission Workshop Cancelled (SUMMER BREAK)
- 20** - Police Pension Board (Police Department) :4:00 pm
General Pension Board :4:30 pm
- 21** - Educational Advisory Board :6:30 pm
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LAUDERHILL POLICE DEPARTMENT

GUN BUY BACK & Firearm Safety Awareness

Saturday, May 18, 2013 • 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Lauderhill Sports Park • 7500 West Oakland Park Blvd.

**Receive a GIFT CARD
for every gun turned in!**



**For more information, contact
Crime Prevention Officer Yvonne Pubien
786-315-7358**

TURN IN YOUR GUNS! NO QUESTIONS ASKED!

The Lauderhill Police Department and Crime Prevention Unit, in partnership with the **City of Lauderhill Commissioner Hayward J. Benson, Jr. and State Representative Hazelle P. Rogers (District 95)**, will host a Citywide Gun Buy Back initiative to make Lauderhill safer.

The goal of this event is to reduce the number of unwanted guns on the streets and educate those who keep firearms in their homes and around their families about the responsibility of gun ownership.

PLEASE FOLLOW THESE IMPORTANT SAFETY TIPS

- No Ammunition
- Unloaded
- Cylinder or Action Open



Recycling is Easy When it's Placed in an "All-in-One" Container!

The City of Lauderhill uses and would like to promote our "All-in-One" recycling system (single-stream recycling) in which recyclable items don't have to be sorted from one another. Instead of placing items into two separate containers, the following items can all be placed in your City of Lauderhill issued recycling bin:

- Newspapers, inserts, catalogs, magazines, junk mail, office paper, soft-covered books, file folders, soda cartons and crushed boxes from items such as cereal, tissues, rice and pasta
- Plastic containers (narrow-necks only) such as bottles, milk, water, detergent and shampoo containers
- Glass food and beverage containers, milk/juice cartons and drink boxes
- Aluminum, steel or tin food and beverage containers
- Cardboard (flattened, max.: 36" x 36") from non-food items such as shipping boxes

The following items should NOT be placed with your recyclables:

- Rechargeable batteries
- Plastic bags
- Certain glass products including window or auto glass, light bulbs, mirrors, glass cookware or bakeware, and ceramics
- Pots, pans, metal utensils or scrap metal
- Paint and pesticides
- Electronic waste and accessories
- Medical waste and pharmaceuticals
- Household garbage and other waste such as gas cylinders, tanks, rocks, dirt, building debris, flammables, small appliances
- Pizza boxes
- Misc. plastics and toys
- Hoses, wires, holiday lights
- Styrofoam or plastic take-out containers or trays

Thank you for your participation in the City of Lauderhill's "All-in-One" Recycling Program.

Community Services

General Information & Referral - A case worker will provide assistance to residents via telephone or walk-ins. State, County and City service provider information is available as well as organizations and non-profits. They will assist with housing, childcare, assisted living facilities, and financial questions.

Are You Ok? Program - This free telephone reassurance call service is available to pre-registered seniors and disabled residents who live alone. A daily call is provided to check on these residents to ensure that they are ok. Help is provided if necessary.

Emergency Food Pantry - The City maintains a free non-perishable food assistance program for Lauderhill residents in need due to loss of income, illness or other family emergency. Proof of residency required. To make an appointment regarding the food pantry, please call 954-746-9050.

Community Home Visit - Case workers are available to conduct a "needs assessment" for Lauderhill residents. A referral is required from the police or fire department, a homeowner's association, a neighbor or via a self-referral. Appropriate service providers will be determined and contacted for direct service delivery.

Form Completion Assistance - Case workers are available to provide assistance for residents completing forms/applications, such as for food stamps, disaster shelters, etc.

For additional information, please contact Annette at 954.746.9050.

Jack & Jill Oratorical Contest Highest Achievers Receive Awards



Jack & Jill hosted an oratorical contest at Lauderhill's City Hall. The highest achievers were recognized at a recent Commission Meeting.

Parks/Facilities

Parks and Leisure Services (PALS)

4141 N.W. 16th Street
Phone: 954.730.3080
Mon - Wed 7 am - 6 pm
Thurs 7:30 am - 5:30 pm
Fri - Sun Closed

Golf Course

4141 N.W. 16th Street
Phone: 954.730.2990
Mon - Sun 7 am - 5 pm

Sadkin Community Center

1176 N.W. 42nd Way
Phone: 954.321.2450
Building Hours (1st Floor Only)
Mon - Fri 8 am - 9 pm
Sat 10 am - 6 pm
Sun Closed

Fitness Room

Mon - Fri 8 am - 12 pm & 5 - 9 pm
Sat 10 am - 6 pm
Sun Closed
Gymnasium (2nd Floor)
Closed for renovation

Sports Park

7500 West Oakland Park Blvd.
Phone: 954.572.1478
Mon - Fri 6 am - 10 pm
Sat/Sun 7 am - 7 pm

St. George Community Park

3501 N.W. 8th Street
Phone: 954.791.1039 or 954.791.1042
Mon - Fri 8 am - 9 pm
Sat 10 am - 6 pm
Sun Closed

Veterans Park

7600 N.W. 50th Street
Phone: 954.572.1459
Mon - Fri 9 am - 9 pm
Sat 9 am - 6 pm
Sun Closed

West Ken Lark Park

1321 N.W. 33rd Avenue
Phone: 954.791.1034 or 954.791.1035
Mon - Fri 8 am - 9 pm
Sat 10 am - 9 pm
Sun 10 am - 6 pm
Building Closed, park open

West Wind Park

4550 N.W. 82nd Avenue
Phone: 954.572.1471
Mon - Fri 6 am - 10 pm
Sat & Sun 7 am - 8 pm

Wolk Park

1080 N.W. 42nd Way
Phone: 954.321.2466
Tennis office or 954.321.2465
Mon - Fri 8 am - 9 pm
Sat 10 am - 6 pm
Sun Tennis Courts closed

PARKS & LEISURE SERVICES

CLASSES & PROGRAMS AT VETERANS PARK

Camera Club

Contact: Warren Dorfman 954.971.1495
Day/Time: Every 2nd and 4th Wed. of the month 7 - 10 pm

Dance Class

Day/Time: Sat 10:30am - 2:30pm
Registration fee: \$10; Semester fee: \$150
Contact Terri Stonom at (954) 321-1421 or (954) 554-0479
E-mail: tstonom@mtbbc.org Web: tessence.org

Judo

Ages: 6 yrs. old and up
Day/Time: Weds 6:30 - 9 pm
Registration fee: \$25
Monthly fee: \$50
Contact: Mike Cobb (954) 473-9679

Kendo

Ages: 12 and older
Day/Time: Friday at 7 - 9 pm
Registration fee: \$25
Monthly fee: \$50
Contact: Mike Cobb at (954) 473-9679

Scrabble Club # 276

Day/Time: Wednesday 5:45 - 9 pm
Cost: \$3.00
Contact Sandee Bloom (954) 726-6449

Tae Kwon Do

Days: Tuesday and Thursday
Time: Beginners children class at 6:45 - 7:30 pm; Adults class at 7 - 8:30 pm
Come watch or participate in 1 class - FREE
Contact Master Tony Dodd (561) 866-1952



ST. GEORGE PARK

For more information call (954) 791-1039

Senior Birthday Club

Ages 55 yrs and older. Fitness classes, leisure trips, celebrations, meetings, walking, game playing, and socializing.
Day/Time: Mon. - Fri. 8:30 - 11am

Fitness/Weight Room

Open to the community, FREE to residents.
Day/Time: Mon. - Fri. 8 am - 8:45 pm
Sat. 10 am - 5:45 pm

Must be at least 16 years old with a valid picture I.D. for proof of residency. A waiver form must also be completed. **16 & 17 year olds must be accompanied by an adult.

3 on 3 Basketball Tournaments

Tournaments are half court that men and women can participate in. All levels of skills can play. Quarterly tournament dates will be announced.

Line Dance Aerobics Class

Classes offers a unique style of dance aerobics. Dance away the pounds as you learn various line dances and meet new friends.
Day/Time: Mon. & Tue. 6:30 - 7:30 pm.

HOA Game Night

St. George residents can come out to play Checkers, Chess, Dominoes, Spades, Monopoly, etc. Participants must be 21 years or older to play.
Day/Time: Fri. from 6:30 - 9 pm

Karate Classes

FREE karate classes. The classes are offered to children grades K-6. Registration will be closed after the first 30 children.
Day/Time: Sat. starting at 11 am

St. George & Broward Estates Youth Council Meetings

Grades 6 - 12. Take an active part in your community and build character. Earn community service hours, while having fun doing it. Parents must attend an orientation.
Day/Time: Thurs. 6:30 - 7:30 pm
The first 50 students will receive a free T-shirt.

Girls To Women

An ongoing program for teen girls focusing on life skill coaching and mentoring.
Day/Time: Wed. 6 - 8 pm. For more information, please call Amena T. McInnis at 954.769.1191.



WEST KEN LARK PARK

Fitness Room

FREE for Lauderhill Residents

Day/Time: Mon. - Fri. 8 am - 9:45 pm;

Sat. 10 am - 5:45 pm; Sun. - Closed

A waiver & application are required. State ID, driver's license or passport also required for free membership card. Youth ages 16 & 17 may use the fitness room, they must be under adult supervision.

3 on 3 Basketball Tournaments

A one day competition, held the 4th Thursday of each month. Except during the summer.

Age: 7 to 17

Cost: FREE

Please call: (954) 791-1034 or (954) 791-1035

Adults with Disabilities Dance

Individuals with disabilities meet to enjoy great tunes by DJ Jason Tipton. Participants must be accompanied by parents, guardians or teachers. Registration is limited.

Day/Time: Friday at 9 am - 1:30 pm

Please call: (954) 791-1034 or (954) 791-1035



Kiwanis "Aktion" Club

Individuals with disabilities can participate in volunteer projects in our community. Participants must be accompanied by a parent, guardian or teacher. Registration is limited.

Day/Time: Tues. & Fri. at 9 - 11 am

Please call 954.791.1034 or 954.791.1035 for more information or to register.

Kiwanis Fish & Grits Breakfast

Day/Time: 4th Sat. of every month at 8 - 11 am

Cost: Donation of \$6.00 per plate

Proceeds benefit Community Services Projects. Hosted by the Kiwanis Club of Central Broward

Parks, Pavilion and Community Room Rental

Residents may rent the Community Room (Maximum Capacity 100) on Saturdays 1 - 5 pm ONLY.

Rental fee: \$100.00 (Minimum 4 hours)
+ \$100.00 for the security deposit
\$25.00 for each additional hour

Kitchen Use: NO COOKING ALLOWED

Rental fee: \$30.00 + \$100.00 security deposit.

The security deposit will be refunded in approximately 3 weeks if the community room/pavilion is left in good order.

THE SADKIN CENTER

Youth Volunteer Program

Interested teens needing to perform community service hours for high school graduation ONLY can register for after school and Saturday time slots between 10:00 am - 2:00 pm. Time slots are available at several park sites. Parents are required to complete the registration for minors. NO COURT ORDERED COMMUNITY SERVICE IS PERMITTED. Call Daphne at 954.321.2450 for registration information

Girls to Women

An empowerment mentoring program for teen girls.

Day/Time: Every Thursday 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm.

Call Amena at 754-229-9755 for registration information.

Lauderhill Women's Club

Day/Time: Every first Thursday of the month 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm.

Lauderhill Youth Basketball League & Lions Traveling Basketball Organization

Registration is happening NOW - League play starts January 2013.

Dominoes Open Play

Interested players must register and be at least 18 years old.

Day/Time: Mon. - Thurs. 1:00 pm - 6:00 pm.

Cost: \$2/residents and \$4/non-residents.

Adult Basketball Open Play

Basketball is offered for adults at least 18 years of age on

Day/Time: Mon. - Thurs. 1:00 pm - 1:00 pm. You must register to play.

Cost: \$2/residents and \$4/non-residents.

Wellness / Fitness Classes

The Sadkin Center offers Zumba®, Cardio Kickboxing, Yoga, Boot Camp, Body Sculpting, Soca Aerobics and more!! With the BEST instructors!!

Day/Time: An instructor is available every Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday for group exercise classes from 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm.

Cost: \$20 per month includes unlimited classes, specialty classes and monthly gym access. The daily rate is \$5 per class.

Child Care is available during classes. Call for details and the cost.

Fitness/Weight Room

Gym memberships are available; daily/yearly rates must be purchased by non-residents. The membership is free for Lauderhill residents.

Day/Time:

Monday - Thursday 8:00 am - 8:45 pm

Fridays 8:00 am - 12 noon & 5:00 pm - 8:45 pm

Saturdays 10:00 am - 5:45 pm

Sundays Closed

Members must be 16 years of age or older with a valid picture I.D. for proof of residency and complete a waiver form to utilize the fitness room. **16 & 17 year olds must be accompanied by an adult member at all times OR have written permission from parent. Parent must come in to fill out paperwork.

African Dance, Drumming & Yoga

Day/Time:

Friday from 6:30 - 8:30 pm.

Call Marguerita at 954.588.7385 to register or for more information.

Martial Arts Classes

FREE martial arts classes are offered to children grades K-6 every Saturday morning. Registration is closed after 15 children are signed up



YOUTH PROGRAMS

Cheetahs Youth Track Program

REGISTRATION

Where: West Ken Lark Park

When: Cross Country begins in September, Track & Field begins in January

Who: Boys and Girls ages 5 to 18

Cost: \$85 per child (Lauderhill residents), \$50 additional for non-residents (once/year), \$10 discount for each additional child in family

What: Please bring a copy of the child's Birth Certificate and Health Insurance

Season: September through November for Cross Country, February through July for Track and Field.

For more information, contact Coach Ted Beverly at 954-572-9752 (bev6804@att.net) or West Ken Lark Park at 954-791-1034.



Lions Youth Soccer Program

REGISTRATION

Where: Veterans Park

When: Begins in September

Who: Boys and Girls ages 5 to 18

Cost: \$85 per child (Lauderhill residents), \$50 additional for non-residents (once/year) for developmental recreation program, \$275 for travel program, \$10 discount for each additional child

What: Please bring a copy of the child's Birth Certificate and Health Insurance

Season: October thru May.

For more information, contact Coach Warren Bloise at 954-683-8660 (bloisew@hotmail.com) or Brian Picinic at 954-572-1478 (bpicinic@lauderhill-fl.gov).



Broncos Youth Tackle Football & Cheerleading Program

REGISTRATION

Where: West Ken Lark Park

When: Begins in March

Who: Boys (football) and Girls (cheerleading) ages 5 to 15

Cost: \$85 per child + \$25 Fundraising Fee (Residents), \$50 additional for non-residents (once/year), \$10 discount for each additional child

What: Please bring a copy of the child's Birth Certificate, Health Insurance, Physical (dated this year), and a recent Picture (close up)

Season: June through November.

For more information, contact Paul Spence at 954-775-7079 (pspence@lauderhillbroncos.org) or Brian Picinic at 954-572-1478 (bpicinic@lauderhill-fl.gov).



SENIOR PROGRAMS

Contact Person:

Terri Johnson, Senior Center Coordinator
1176 NW 42nd Way, 954.321.2450.

The Sadkin Community Center's activities are intended for active adults 55 years old and up. Please note that participants need to be registered members of the Lauderhill Adult Center. **All activities** take place at Sadkin Community Center unless noted otherwise.

Diabetes Self-Management Workshop (6 week Course)

Starting Monday, May 6 - June 10 at 9:30 am
Sponsored by Emilia Solano, YMCA

Coventry Care Social Services

Tuesday, May 14 at 11:00 am
Sponsored by Rosanna Mollica, Coventry Health Care

Flamingo Gardens

Thursday, May 16 from 9:30 am - 2 pm
Sponsored by Sadkin Senior Center

Ice Cream Social

Wednesday, June 12 at 10:45 am
Sponsored by Eadie Cascoigne, CarePlus Health Plans

Eat Well Live Long Workshop

Thursday, June 6 at 10:00 am
Sponsored by Esther Ossei-Anto, Physician United Plans

Ongoing Classes and Services at Sadkin Community Center

Coffee/Tea Time	M - Th	9 - 11 am	Free
Dominos	M - Th	9 am - 12:30 pm	Free
Lunch Program	M - F	11:45 am - 12:15 pm	Donations
Nautilus	M - Th	9 am - 12:30 pm	Free
S.H.I.N.E.	Per Request	9:30 am - 12 pm	Free
Socialization	M - Th	9 am - 12:30 pm	Free

For further information on all ongoing Senior Programs, please call: Terri Johnson, Senior Center Coordinator at: 954.321.2450

Hear USA

Wednesday, July 10 at 10:45 am
Sponsored by Esther Ossei-Anto, Physician United Plans

AARP~ Driver Safety Program

Thursdays, August 8 & August 15 from 9:00 am - 12 noon
Sponsored by Joy Riddell, AARP

Coventry Formal Event

Tuesday, August 27 at 11:00 am
Sponsored by Rosanna Mollica, Coventry Health Care

Quality Living Alert

Wednesday, August 28 at 10:45 am
Sponsored by Jenifer Ferrante, Quality Living Alerts

Line Dance Class

Every Monday at 10:00 am
Sponsored by Angela McDonald, Line Dance

Yoga Class

Every Wednesday at 10:00 am
Sponsored by Irene Hammer, Yoga for Youth, Inc

Exercise/ Zumba Class

Every Tuesday at 10:00 am
Sponsored by Dilma Higgins, Zumba Fitness

Arts & Crafts Class

Every other Thursday at 11:00 am
Sponsored by Liliana Gerardi, Lauderhill Arts Center

Blood Pressure Screening

Every Third Thursday - May 16, June 20, July 18 & August 15 at 9:00 am
Sponsored by Marlene Crep, H2U Plantation Hospital

PARTIES AND CELEBRATIONS

Mother's Day Celebration

Thursday, May 9 at 11:30 am

Father's Day Luncheon

Thursday, June 13 at 11:30 am

Independence Day Celebration

Wednesday, July 3 at 11:30 am

Celebrate Your Birthday with Us

Thursdays - May 30, June 27, July 25 & August 29 at 11:30 am

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LAUDERHILL'S MAH JONGG CLUB

The Mah Jongg Club meets 12:30 pm - 3:30 pm every Wednesday
afternoon at the Lauderhill Towne Centre Library
(6399 W. Oakland Park Blvd).

All residents, non-residents, & players of all skill levels are welcome
to join! Membership to the club is free.... tables, chairs & Mah Jongg
sets are provided, players just have to bring a Mah Jongg card
(available at the Festival Flea Market & some Hallmark stores).
For more information, contact Lynn Kaplan at 954.253.0547 or via
email at mahjongglynn@yahoo.com.

SAVE THE DATES

Police Memorial Ceremony

May 9th at 10 am
Location: Lauderhill Police Department
Contact: Police Department
954.497.4700

Gun Buy Back & Firearm Safety Awareness Day

May 18th from 9 am to 2 pm
Location: Lauderhill Sports Park
Contact: Officer Pubien
786.315.7358

Commissioner Berger's Community Awareness Day

August 10th from 10 am to 3 pm
Contact: Commissioner Berger's Office
954.777.2041